



**EXAMINING GROUP RESPONSE AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
ART UNIT 1646**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Lee and Esquela	Art Unit:	1646
Application No.:	09/361,655	Examiner:	Prema M. Mertz
Filed:	July 27, 1999		
Title:	METHODS OF DETECTING A LIVER DISORDER		

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:


This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 21, 2003.

The requested extension is for Two (2) Months, extending the period for response from March 21, 2003 to June 21, 2003.

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<b>CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8</b>
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Enclosed is Check No. 540962 in the total amount of \$365.00; which consists of \$205.00 for the Notice of Appeal fee and \$160.00 for the Two (2) Months Extension of Time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge for any additional fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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